

**To:** Workman, Rosemary[Workman.Rosemary@epa.gov]  
**From:** Tidwell-Shelton, Patricia  
**Sent:** Tue 1/14/2014 2:03:40 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Politico on Chem

Also, the email traffic says that MCHM is not a chemical of interest under CFATS; why don't they just say that?

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**From:** Workman, Rosemary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 14, 2014 8:32 AM  
**To:** Tidwell-Shelton, Patricia  
**Subject:** FW: Politico on Chem

**From:** Workman, Rosemary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 14, 2014 8:16 AM  
**To:** Bissonette, Eric; Maria Lopez-Carbo  
**Subject:** FW: Politico on Chem  
**Importance:** High

Here's what I sent David this morning. I can't really help on CFATS...I just don't know enough about it and the people that do aren't here at the moment.

**From:** Workman, Rosemary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 14, 2014 7:05 AM  
**To:** Travers, David  
**Subject:** Fw: Politico on Chem  
**Importance:** High

How do you want to handle this?

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**From:** Stoner, Nancy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 14, 2014 3:15:17 AM  
**To:** Grevatt, Peter; Travers, David; Shapiro, Mike; Loop, Travis  
**Cc:** Newberry, Debbie; Workman, Rosemary; Tidwell-Shelton, Patricia; Tingley, Kevin; Clark, Becki; Bissonette, Eric; Lopez-Carbo, Maria  
**Subject:** Re: Politico on Chem

Never heard back. What do we have, guys?

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**From:** Grevatt, Peter  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 7:46:17 PM  
**To:** Stoner, Nancy; Travers, David; Shapiro, Mike; Loop, Travis  
**Cc:** Newberry, Debbie; Workman, Rosemary; Tidwell-Shelton, Patricia; Tingley, Kevin; Clark, Becki; Bissonette, Eric; Lopez-Carbo, Maria  
**Subject:** Re: Politico on Chem

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**From:** Stoner, Nancy  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 6:37:20 PM  
**To:** Travers, David; Grevatt, Peter; Shapiro, Mike; Loop, Travis  
**Subject:** Fw: Politico on Chem

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**From:** Johnson, Alisha  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 7:23:42 PM  
**To:** Stoner, Nancy; Kopocis, Ken

**Subject:** FW: Politico on Chem

Nancy & Ken,

Is this something you can assist with?

DHS is looking for our input and NSS has concerns. This is in response to CBS News asking whether the facility in West Virginia was required to submit a top screen under CFATS, and if the chemical is under DHS regulations.

I spoke with Mathy and he said he believes this should be vetted with someone in OW on the water security side.

Thanks for your help on this.

Alisha

**From:** Ventrell, Patri [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 6:32 PM  
**To:** Lee, Sy; Lalley, Jonathan; Johnson, Alisha; Whithorne, Bobby  
**Cc:** [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] Behringer, Caroline  
**Subject:** Re: Politico on Chem

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**From:** [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 06:07 PM  
**To:** Ventrell, Patrick; Lalley, Jonathan; Johnson, Alisha <Johnson.Alisha@epa.gov>; Whithorne, Bobby  
**Cc:** [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] Catron, Marsha  
[Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] Behringer, Caroline  
**Subject:** RE: Politico on Chem

Sorry, tweaked a little bit. Good?

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 6:02 PM  
**To:** 'Ventrell, Patrick'; Lalley, Jonathan; Johnson, Alisha; Whithorne, Bobby  
**Cc:** Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Behringer, Caroline  
**Subject:** Politico on Chem

Thanks Patrick. Politico is also asking about security of the country's water supply to terror attacks, in relation to WV.

Any concerns with statement below? (Also asking EPA)

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**From:** Ventrell, Patrick [REDACTED] **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**  
**Sent:** Monday, January 13, 2014 4:54 PM  
**To:** Lalley, Jonathan [REDACTED] Johnson, Alisha; Whithorne, Bobby  
**Cc:** Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Behringer, Caroline  
**Subject:** RE: CBS News

Ok by us at NSS

From: Lalley, Jonathan

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 4:44 PM

To: [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] Johnson, Alisha; Ventrell, Patrick; Whithorne, Bobby

Cc: Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Behringer, Caroline

Subject: RE: CBS News

This is PV's. Defer to him.

From: [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 4:31 PM

To: Johnson, Alisha; Ventrell, Patrick; Lalley, Jonathan; Whithorne, Bobby

Cc: Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Behringer, Caroline

Subject: RE: CBS News

NSS?

From: [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 2:08 PM

To: 'Johnson, Alisha'; Ventrell, Patrick; Lalley, Jonathan; Whithorne, Bobby

Cc: Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Behringer, Caroline

Subject: RE: CBS News

NSS, good with DHS's response?

On background-

This facility was not regulated by The Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) because 4-methylcyclohexane methanol is not a Chemical of Interest under the CFATS program.

CFATS is the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) regulatory program focused specifically on enhancing security to reduce the risk of terrorism and ensure proper security procedures are followed at certain high-risk chemical facilities.

In general, if a facility has one or more Chemicals of Interest at or above the Screening Threshold Quantity, the facility completes a Top-Screen, identifying chemicals and quantities and providing other relevant information. DHS then reviews the Top-Screen information and determines the facility's Preliminary Tier status or determines that the facility is not high-risk.

The Chemicals of Interest list can be found here:

[http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/chemsec\\_appendixa-chemicalofinterestlist.pdf](http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/chemsec_appendixa-chemicalofinterestlist.pdf)

From: Johnson, Alisha [<mailto:Johnson.Alisha@epa.gov>]

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 12:50 PM

To: Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy Ventrell, Patrick; Lalley, Jonathan; Whithorne, Bobby

Cc: Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Behringer, Caroline

Subject: RE: CBS News

Just updating you on what we've found on the chemical itself.

4-methylcyclohexane was one of more than 60,000 chemicals in commerce when the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) was passed in 1976. The 1976 statute, while imposing some information requirements for new chemicals entering the market, "grandfathered" in existing chemicals, and thus provided EPA with very limited ability to require testing on those existing chemicals to determine if they are safe. EPA continues to support much needed legislative reform to ensure that the Agency has updated authority to more effectively assess and regulate potentially harmful chemicals.

From: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 11:52 AM

To: Ventrell, Patrick; Lalley, Jonathan; Whithorne, Bobby

Cc: Stevens, Clark; Boogaard, Peter; Catron, Marsha; Johnson, Alisha; Behringer, Caroline

Subject: CBS News

NSS/Bobby-

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